

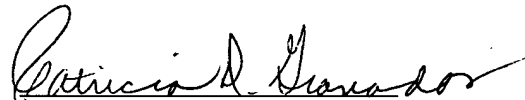
REMARKS

Applicants respectfully request that the foregoing amendments be made before examination of the present application. This application is directed to group V of the Restriction Requirement, mailed in the parent application U.S. Serial No. 10/218,034. Claims 5 and 8-9 have been canceled. Claims 1-4 (in part), 6-7 (in part), and 10-15 (in part), drawn to other groups such as pyrazines, pyrimidines, pyridines, benzotriazoles, benzodithiazoles, and benzothiazoles, etc., have been amended to correct informalities. No new matter has been added by the above amendments, which are fully supported by the specification. A first office action on the merits is awaited.

Respectfully submitted,

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